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SENSATIONAL SHOOTING INCIDENT.

SERGEANT'S ESCAPE.

EXCITING KOWLOON ENCOUNTER.

The alertness of a European police sergeant and his pluck in holding on to his man in spite of a confederate firing from almost point-blank range, at him with a pistol, led to the arrest of three men, who if the charges are proved against them will be identified as extremely dangerous characters.

Last night, about 10.30, Sergt. Clark was on patrol in the neighbourhood of Tsimshatsui, when he saw three men whose actions aroused his suspicion. He followed them for some distance along Chatham Road, and then accosted them. He seized hold of one of the men and commenced searching him. As his hands came into contact with something hard the man in question pulled the object away and threw it to one of his companions.

This was a revolver and at twelve yards' distance to whom he had thrown the revolver fired a shot at Sergt. Clark and missed him. Still holding on to his man, Sergt. Clark returned the fire. The two men then ran away while Sergt. Clark took his man to the police station. On him were found several rounds of ammunition.

The police, having reason to suspect that the other two men were houseboys in the employ of Capt. L. D. Joll, M.C. (R.A.) went to Gomes Villas and found no one at home. They conducted a search and found no one there. Shortly afterwards, however the police were communicated with from Gomes Villas. Mrs. Joll had returned from an evening function. Her escort, on hearing, presumably from the amah, that the police had been searching for robbers, himself conducted a search of the house and found the two house boys hiding under a bed. In an unlocked drawer was found a revolver which Capt. Joll, who was away at camp, had presumably left for Mrs. Joll's protection.

The men were taken to the police station and Sergt. Clark identified them; also the revolver. Where the shooting had taken place there had been a light and he had, before the arrival of the revolver, described the weapon. The description fitted.

The man first arrested and who is alleged to have thrown the revolver to the other man states he is the cousin of Lieut.-Col. E. D. Matthews, Secretary of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club.

LESS WORK.

HOME COTTON TRADE PROPOSAL.

(Reuters' Service.)

London, November 13.—As many as 150,000 operatives are affected by the decision of the Cotton Short Time Organisation Committee, at a meeting in Manchester, to recommend the reduction of working hours in the American Yarn Spinning section to 38 hours a week in December and January, compared with the present 39½, and a normal 58.

The committee strongly recommends members to support the proposal and point out that more than the customary majority of 80 per cent. will be required.

The committee state that despite the large cotton crop, and owing mainly to the instability of prices, the demand is little improved, and spinners have not been selling production.

FRANCE'S FINANCES.

(Reuters' Service.)

Paris, November 13.—The Finance Committee of the Chamber of Deputies has adopted the articles of the Government programme relating to the new commercial and industrial projects, and a national levy of 15 per cent. on revenues from French and foreign stocks.

PIRATE JAILED.

INGENIOUSLY CONCEALED ARMS.

SECRET OF A PAIR OF CLOGS.

"He's no smuggler, Your Worship, he's a pirate in my opinion," said the Inspector in charge of a case at the Central Magistracy this morning in which a Chinese named Lam Fai was charged with possession of arms.

The arms in question were concealed ingeniously, and C.252, in Muk, the Chinese detective effected a very smart arrest.

Late on Thursday night near Sincere's the detective saw a man (the prisoner) carrying a big bag and stopped him, stating he must search the contents. The man said he had not the key which was with the owner of the basket at the Kwing Tai Lai boarding house in Chinnauft Road Central. The policeman accompanied the man there, and was taken to a room engaged in the name of the

CINEMA BOOM.

CHIEF JUSTICE EXPRESSES SURPRISE.

WORLD THEATRE CASE.

Sir Henry Cowper-Gillan (Chief Justice) expressed surprise at a cinema going bankrupt in these times while presiding over the sitting of the Bankruptcy Court this morning.

In the list of cases was one regarding the World Theatre. Mr. A. Dyer Ball (Official Receiver) informed His Lordship that the Hongkong Amusements, Ltd. had paid about \$3,000 for the stock in trade but a Government application for rates would eat up a considerable part of the amount.

Still, he hoped to get in touch with partners in the old concern. Mr. E. S. C. Brooks appeared for one creditor and Mr. E. M. Hall for the partitioning creditor. Mr. Dyer Ball also said that he supported the creditors' resolution and was prepared to act as trustee.

PARTING SCENES.

SIR CLAUD INSPECTS TIGER SKIN.

TIGER SKIN.

THIS MORNING'S DEPARTURE.

As the "Victoria" moved away from Queen's pier this morning the Drums and Pipes of the Survey played "For he's a jolly good fellow" and "Should auld acquaintance be forgot." Sir Claud Severn waved his hat in reply to the parting salutes of the crowds on the pier, and the launch receded into the distance bound for the s.s. "Mantua," on which Sir Claud will proceed to England on retirement.

An interesting factor of the departure was the inspection by Sir Claud of the big bass drum of the band. Some time ago Lady Severn presented a tiger skin to the Drums and Pipes, and it has just been mounted. At the inspection was finished the members of the band gave Sir Claud three cheers.

Among those present on the

FAINT HOPE.

LOST SUBMARINE'S CREW ALIVE?

A FORMER CHINA OFFICER.

(Reuters' Service.)

London, Nov. 13.—An Admiralty statement says that every effort is being made to locate the M1, but owing to the number of wrecks and the depth of the water in the neighbourhood and the absence of any indications, such as oil or air bubbles, considerable difficulty is anticipated before any success is obtained.

Hitherto the Admiralty had not received any intelligence enabling them to credit the report that the submarine had been located.

London, Nov. 13.—Lieutenant Commander A. E. Carris, Commander of the M1, served on the China station two years ago on board one of the L class submarines.

SUBMARINE LOCATED.

London, Nov. 13.—News has been received at Portsmouth that Admiral Sir Henry Oliver, Commander-in-Chief of the Atlantic Fleet, received on board H.M.S. "Revenge" a wireless message saying that ships searching for the M1 apparently located the submarine 12 miles south-west of Star Point, but the depth is too great to permit diving.

It is stated that there is still a faint hope that the crew are alive, as it has been ascertained that there has been no collision, but the great size of the submarine makes it practically impossible to raise her.

It is pointed out that the M1 is able to remain under water 36 to 48 hours without endangering the lives of the crew, if the submarine is not holed.

2270,000 FORTUNE.

FORMER HONGKONG MAN'S ESTATE.

THE LATE MR. J. BELL IRVING.

(Reuters' Service.)

London, Nov. 13.—The late Mr. John Bell Irving, former member of the Hongkong Legislative Council, left unsettled personal estate of 2270,000 in addition to considerable real estate and settled property.

BRITISH DYES.

GOVERNMENT SELLING SHARES.

(Reuters' Service.)

London, November 13.—Subject to the shareholders agreeing to the scheme for the reconstruction of the concern, the Government's interest in the British Dyestuffs Corporation will shortly lapse.

The Corporation was formed in war time for the manufacture of Dye-tuffs, replacing the lost German supplies.

The Government subscribed £1,700,000 and exercised a degree of control.

A notice issued to-day, convening a general meeting, states the original restrictions "seriously militate against the successful conduct of affairs." The Government has offered to sacrifice its share for £1,600,000 and withdraw restrictions except those requiring that the Corporation will remain predominantly British and keep in touch with what the Government regards as technical information and research.

LUXOR MARVEL.

TUTANKHAMEN'S MUMMY FOUND.

THE GLORY OF PHARAOH.

(Reuters' Service.)

London, November 13.—Last doubts as to the authenticity of the sarcophagus were dispelled when Tutankhamen's mummy was taken out of the wrappings.

The body was found to be covered with gold, with green eyes and a golden diadem.

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FOREIGN SECRETARY AND CHINA.

SCATHING CRITICISM.

Commenting on Mr. Austen Chamberlain's recent speech in London the "Central China Post" says inter alia:—

British subjects have been killed, British property has been destroyed in any quantity, British trade has been stopped, British monetary losses have been enormous, running into many millions of pounds, and if we ask who is to foot the bill there is not a word said. It is not even plain that anything will happen although the anti-British campaign is still "ravaged" on that indefinitely. . . . About all this the Foreign Secretary knows nothing—at least he says nothing.

Canton-in History.

The Foreign Secretary knows history and quotes it, but fails to draw the inference which the times demand. The agents of the East India Company were content to put up with injurious treatment at the hands of the Chinese for over two hundred years, but when the Crown took over the control of the tributaries the representatives of Her Majesty made a stand for proper treatment. They objected to the confiscation of trade-goods; to the restriction of liberties and the imprisonments of British citizens; and to the expulsion of the merchants from Canton. It was the feelings which brought about the first war, and similar things are acting at the present day. The tendency to do drawn is, that if these similar things are not corrected, they will bring about exactly the same result, but the inference which the Foreign Secretary draws is that the time has now come when it is advisable to talk with China about nicely.

ON NATURAL RIGHTS

The Foreign Secretary notes that as times change circumstances alter, but there is a circumstance which will not alter, namely that the British in this country are entitled to civilised treatment at the hands of the Chinese. The first treaty which the Chinese gave about as having been unequal gave them the British nothing which was not theirs already by natural right, and which will not be still theirs even should that treaty be given up. The Secretary seems to recognise that, and hopes that "the Chinese, through their own Government will themselves secure to the foreigner within their gates, protection for himself and his property, an orderly and fair legal system, and just trial in cases where he is charged with any offence, and when the Chinese Government can offer these things we will gladly surrender the treaties."

MOST UNSATISFACTORY

But this does not carry us much further. Of course the Chinese can offer these things and will have no hesitation in doing so at five minutes notice. But is the Secretary prepared to trade our rights away for a mere offer which there may not be the slightest intention of fulfilling, or will be stipulate for a time period for the Chinese to show what they are both able and willing to do; or let the whole matter drift? As to that there is no information, and the business is most unsatisfactory. Most unsatisfactory of all is the demonstration that these London leaders do not yet realise the problem they are up against. The question of Treaties, etc., Imperialism, Capitalism and all that borrowed lingo with which so much play is made, has little to do with it. The fact is the Chinese have made up their minds to humiliate Britain, and think they can do it. They are as keen on the scheme as ever and no conference held in Peking is likely to change their feelings in the matter. A different kind of argument will have to be used ultimately, and the sooner the matter is realised the better.

HONGKONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the year 1923-24.

The zero of the table corresponds with the "zero" of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 8 inches below mean sea-level. To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 8 feet 4 inches; and on the gauge at Leamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

November 12 to 18, 1925.

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"KASHMIR"	8,985	10th Dec.	Sapora, Poona, Colaba & Bombay
"MOREA"	10,911	13th Dec.	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	8,000	26th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MACEDONIA"	11,088	9th Jan.	Marseilles and London
"HYBIR"	8,097	22nd Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DELTA"	8,097	4th Feb.	Sapora, Poona, Colaba & B'bay
"MALWA"	10,941	6th Feb.	Marseilles and London
"KARMALA"	8,088	9th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANJUA"	10,981	8th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,985	13th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KHIVA"	8,136	20th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MOREA"	10,918	3rd April	Marseilles and London
"DEVANHA"	8,155	17th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,144	21st April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	1st May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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"TAWDA"	6,958	2nd Dec.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	6th Jan.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	3rd Feb.	do.
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"PALAMBAA"	8,018	23rd Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"TAWDA"	8,000	28th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	8,000	4th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KHYBER"	8,114	19th Dec.	Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,941	24th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELT."	8,097	2nd Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	8,000	5th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"TAWDA"	8,000	23rd Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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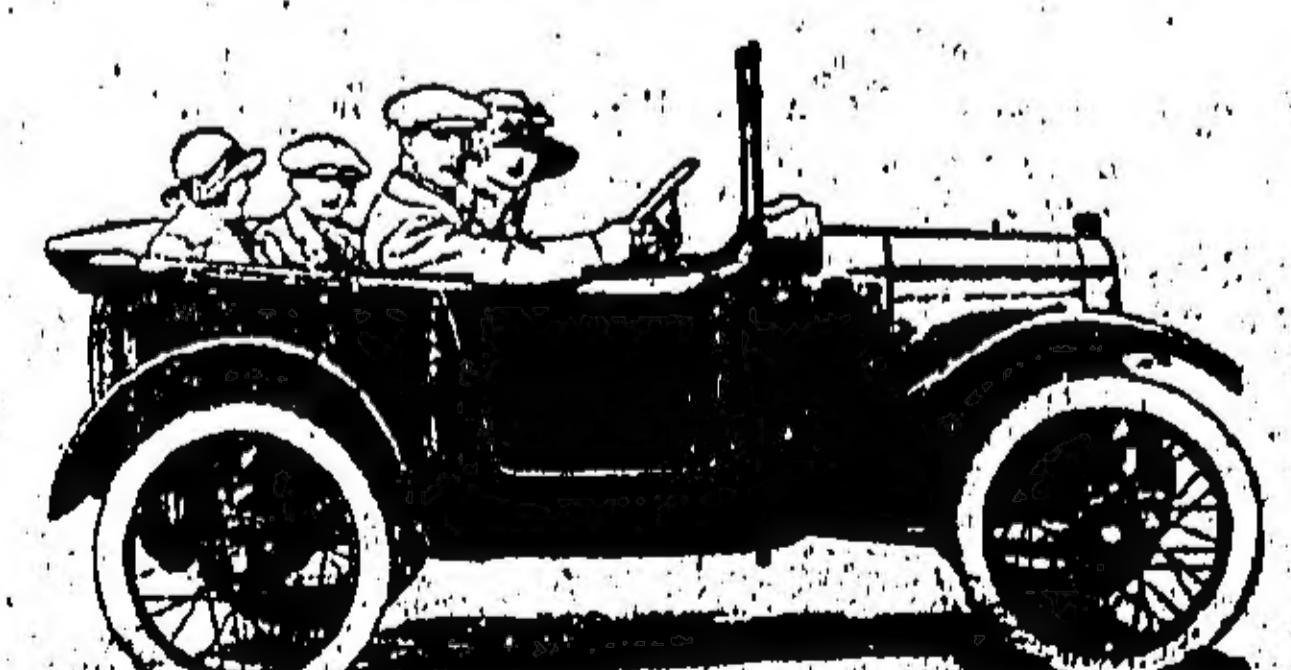
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A LAND POLICY.

Nothing much is heard these days of Mr. Fletcher's excellent forty-years' lease scheme. Is it dead? Have any taken advantage of a scheme, somewhat utopian, designed to help a way out of excessive land speculation? What the Colony needs is a very definite land policy. It has never had one. The Government had land to sell. Syndicates, speculators and rich refugees had money in plenty. The result is well known. The earth is the Lord's, some of us sing on Sundays. It is of course all wrong. The earth is the landlord's. Mr. Lloyd George is said to be staging a political "come back." Many who remember his ninepence for four-pence, and his "refreshing fruit," will probably hope it will be a setback. Mr. Lloyd George's latest torch is a Land Reform Campaign. The first point in this particular programme is: "The State to resume its ownership of land." We do not advocate Mr. George's programme for Hongkong, but, if it is not too late, there should be some sort of reform in the method by which land is dealt in here. The Government should aim at something which does not press hardly on the vast numbers of working-class Chinese in their care, whilst the foreigners should be encouraged to have an interest in the Colony represented by what we may call "Three acres and a cow!"

GREEK SIMPLICITY.

Simplicity is another note of all Greek art. Like the simple life, however, its simplicity is the last term in a long series of experiments in ridding away all distractions. The Greeks knew far better than we do the tremendous power of sacrifice in any work of art which is to be thoroughly effective must leave nothing to the observer's imagination. Result: the Bent's Ordinance, a non-E. B. object.

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MR. CARVALHO'S FUNERAL

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon of the late Mr. C. E. de Carvalho, Chief Portuguese clerk of the Shanghai Bank who on the completion of 40 years' service with the Bank was at the time of his death spending a holiday in London.

The remains, which were brought to the Colony by the s.s. "Glenberg," were laid to rest in the family tomb at the Catholic Cemetery. The graveside ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Spada, and there was a large attendance. Among those present were:

Mr. P. J. and Mr. J. Rodrigues (nephews of the deceased) as chief mourners, and Messrs. J. P. Braga, E. Abraham, P. Tester, A. F. B. Silva-Neto, F. X. D'Almada, J. M. Noronha, J. M. da Rocha, C. A. da Roza, J. M. V. Remedios, A. E. Alves, E. J. Figueiredo, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. N. de Silva, Bros. Casian and Richard the Sisters and Students of the Italian Convent and several others.

Floral tributes were sent by the following: Messrs. A. H. Barlow, A. C. Hynes, J. H. Ramsay, H. Fook, W. J. Clark, F. M. Ellis, C. T. Edwards, A. J. Edgar, O. Skinner, F. X. V. Ribeiro and J. F. Gross, P. Tester, G. Travers, R. H. Chapman, V. R. Jones, T. W. Doyle, F. M. P. da Graca, R. L. Moncrieff, F. G. Walker, J. A. D. Morrison, D. E. G. Nicholson, J. Joseph, G. P. Lammett, J. Walker, D. B. Peat, M. J. Prata and F. Frata, G. E. Towns, and Ho Leung.

Inspector and Mrs. A. R. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. de Figueiredo, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hegarty, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Leo D'Almada, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Xavier, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. dos Remedios, Mrs. M. de Jesus and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. da Roza, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. da Roza, Mr. and Mrs. Daigley, Mrs. Carroll and Tootsie, Mr. and Mrs. F. X. D'Almada, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wing, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cookes, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. dos Remedios & family, Mr. I. Carvalho and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Souza, Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Botelho, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Green, Mrs. M. J. R. Osmond and Ellaline, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Dunnett, Mrs. P. M. N. da Silva, Natalia and Remata Alvares and Yvanovich.

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standing proof that the ordinary laws of economics do not necessarily apply to Hongkong. The Government might, or might not, of course, have made more out of its land sales than it has done, had there been some such scheme as this attached to it; that in all re-sales of land and property the Government should come in on what is idiomatically described as a fifty-fifty basis—half profit on the sale for Government coffers. Such a scheme would, we believe, never have affected land sales. It would merely have affected revenue. This may not sound very beneficial. But the moral effect would have been enormous. Rents are high not necessarily because building costs are higher, but because the initial cost of land has been extremely big. This, coupled with increased cost of materials and labour, has meant that in order to obtain adequate returns on the capital used, heavy rents have had to be levied, resulting in a considerable amount of hardship. There are difficulties in plenty surrounding the question of land reform in Hongkong, but the question should be discussed from all possible points. We urge again that some tangible effort should be made to populate the district beyond Kowloon well into the New Territories either by free or on equitable terms, grants of land, with mortgages at reasonable rates of interest. The Government should aim at something which does not press hardly on the vast numbers of working-class Chinese in their care, whilst the foreigners should be encouraged to have an interest in the Colony represented by what we may call "Three acres and a cow!"

Mr. William Heughan gave a concert at the Peak Club last evening. He will appear again at the Theatre Royal to-night.

Mr. L. Forster, Mr. and Mrs. Hendry and Bishop, and Mrs. Molony, are passengers in the "Morea," which left yesterday.

An enjoyable dance arranged by the ship's company of H.M.S. "Ambrose" was held at the Royal Naval Canteen Theatre last night.

Rev. W. H. Murray Walton is to take some special services over the week-end of Sunday, November 22, at St. Andrew's, Kowloon. Mr. Murray Walton is a member of the Church Missionary Society.

Sir Henry Gollan, Chief Justice of Hongkong, who has been taking part in the judicial enquiry into the occurrences at Shanghai on May 20, returned from that port by the "Mantis" yesterday.

Sir Henry Gollan—himself an old Carthusian—was entertained at luncheon in the Shanghai Club by the old Carthusians of the port. Those present were Sir Edward Pearce, Mr. Duncan McNeill, Mr. E. T. Maillard, Mr. A. M. Preston, Mr. R. G. Herbert, Mr. J. H. Chapple, Mr. D. C. Burn and Mr. G. Trenchard Davis.

Passengers due to arrive on the "City of Cairo" on November 27 include Major E. W. Bone, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Britton, Capt. and Mrs. N. Cameron, Dr. and Mrs. A. Cameron, Major and Mrs. F. Hoggs, Lieut. E. H. Jacob-Lartrom, Major and Mrs. J. T. Lyman, Major G. L. Peterson, Major and Mrs. E. D. Riley, Major and Mrs. H. N. Sharp, Capt. and Mrs. W. E. Sinclair, Major and Mrs. R. Stevenson, Capt. and Mrs. R. J. Stamford.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

The third Sunday in November was ETIQUETTE, ticklish sort of cross-tur; even with a book of rules it is not always easy to cope with its various exactions.

During its heyday in mid-Victorian times, it absorbed its devoted followers shamefully; long afternoon hours were wasted leaving cards, and hostesses were driven distracted over dinner lists. Thank goodness it is almost entirely from social life. It is, however, still securely entrenched in the official circles which gave it birth; where it is treated with due respect. Without it, official life would almost cease to exist.

Diplomatic etiquette is the easiest to understand; Ambassadors, Ministers, first, second and third secretaries, no matter how powerful or how insignificant the powers they represent, all take precedence according to the date of their appointments; the doyen of the Diplomatic Corps in any country is the Ambassador or Minister who has been there the longest, and so on down to a simple attaché.

There is a story of a young unpaid attaché, the son of a marquis, who was sent to St. Petersburg. At a dinner party at the English Embassy he was rather disgruntled at having to take into dinner some very insignificant person. The Ambassador himself, the son of a marquis, heard about it, and said to the boy next day, "My dear So-and-So, when will you learn that an unpaid attaché is the meanest of God's creatures?"

On the white THE OFFICIAL COFFINS. etiquette sits santly on diplomatic shoulders; not so with officials in the Colonial Service. Though Colonial Office regulations are lengthy and explicit, feuds are frequent and bitter. One official, however, emerged triumphant from a fray. He had a post on the Gold Coast. The poor man fell ill with black-water fever, the most deadly scourge of the West of Africa. His life was despaired of, and as funerals have to take place 24 hours after death his coffin was ordered. To everyone's surprise and joy he recovered.

Before his convalescence was complete he received a demand from the Treasury for the price of his coffin. He refused, because he said (1) he'd not ordered it, and (2) he'd not used it. An acrimonious correspondence followed, during the course of which he suggested to the Treasury they might recoup themselves by selling the coffin as a good second-hand one.

He emerged as successfully from this bout with his official superiors as he had done from his attack of fever.

THE THIRD DEGREE.

It is proverbially difficult for one nation to understand the processes of the criminal law of another, but we find it hard to believe that educated opinion in America will approve the methods of the police of New Jersey in the case of Mary Mallon, question. "What do the letters S. O. S. stand for?" was "Save Our Souls." This is not quite the case. The distress signal was chosen without any regard to a definite verbal meaning. In the early days of wireless the distress signal was C.Q.D. but as the letters C.Q. were used for other abbreviated signals it was decided to use a distinctive signal that could easily be picked up. Hence S.O.S. (three short, three long, three short), S.O.S. is an international signal used by all nations, so we can hardly claim it stands for any English words.

The "China Mail" learns with regret that Mrs. R. H. Kotewall is seriously indisposed.

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DELAYS DETAILED.

CIRCUMSTANCES OF KOWLOON ACCIDENT.

BESSIE MACKAY'S DEATH.

Further details with regard to time elapsing before the services of an ambulance and doctor could be secured, the inability of the G.C.H. to take the patient also actual circumstances of accident, were related at the adjourned enquiry yesterday into the circumstances attending the death of Bessie Mackay who died at the Victoria Hospital as a result of injuries received as a result of a bus overturning in Kowloon.

As regards the ambulance, evidence as to its movements from the time the call from Kowloon was received to the time that it arrived at Jordon House where the injured girl had been taken. It had been conveying a patient to the Government Civil Hospital from Mount Austin Barracks and was despatched to Kowloon immediately it arrived.

Answering a question put by Mr. Hamilton, Coroner Mr. P. J. Condon, assistant Central Fire Station, said that the second ambulance was disabled owing to the lack of a crew. The driver was ill and one of the attendants was away on leave. Each vehicle is provided with one driver and two attendants, who are on duty all day and night. There would be no rest for them should applications for the van be numerous. Every ten days, they are granted one day's leave, when another man takes their place.

Divisional Inspector Aris gave evidence of having been communicated with from Jordon House after attempts had repeatedly and unsuccessfully been made to get into touch with doctors. He finally got into touch with Dr. B. C. Wong. At the Kowloon Dispensary he was told that Dr. Smalley was away in Hongkong at the time. The message regarding the beds at the G.C.H. being full came from Dr. Urnig.

BUS DRIVER'S EVIDENCE.

The rest of the enquiry was devoted to the hearing of evidence as to the actual circumstances of the accident.

The driver of the bus stated that in trying to pass his vehicle a motor cycle and side car struck his right wheel causing the bus to swerve to the side of the road. There would have been no danger whatsoever if the cycle had not hit his wheel. At the moment of the impact there was another bus over 80 yards away, travelling in the opposite direction. There was sufficient clearance for the cycle between witness' bus and the other vehicle.

The other driver corroborated last witness' evidence as regards the distance between the two buses at the time of the accident.

MOTOR CYCLIST'S ACCOUNT.

Mr. H. Barrett, principal warden of the Laichikok prisons, who was the driver of the motor cycle in question said that he had only driven a cycle prior to coming to the Colony for about five minutes. Before the accident he had ridden his combination for a fortnight.

The Coroner: You have heard the evidence of the two drivers?

FAREWELL CONCERT TO-NIGHT.



Mr. William Heughan, the famous Scottish singer, and Miss Gladys Sayer, brilliant pianist who, with Mr. Hyman Lenzer, Australia's greatest violinist, give their farewell Hongkong concert to the public to-night.

Witness: Yes. Do you disagree with what they say? They say you came in contact with the bus. Do you disagree with that? I did come in contact with the bus.

Answering a further question as to whether he agreed with the driver when he said that the two vehicles were 80 yards away when he came in contact with the bus, Mr. Barrett said that the bus was about 100 yards away at the time.

The Coroner: To what then do you attribute the accident? It is beyond me, how the accident happened. I thought I was clear of the bus before it went to the left of the road. I did not swerve at all. I just went straight on.

Continuing, witness said that he knew he had hit the bus but had no idea the impact was so serious. He thought it was merely a scrape.

The Coroner: Have you any impression of the speed you were going? I was following the bus for about 100 yards. The bus was going along the centre of the road and then I suppose it drew into the side of the road to allow the on-coming bus to pass.

The Coroner: Were you trying to get past him? I was not trying to get past him till I saw him draw to the side of the road.

Continuing, witness said that the bus was travelling at the ordinary speed and on passing he sounded his horn.

You were not affected by the accident? No.

Was your side car damaged? Three spokes were broken.

Immediately after discovering that an accident had occurred witness said that he returned and put the girl in his side car, but she was later transferred to a motor car belonging to Mr. Manners. The incident was then reported and it was not till he had reached the Sham Shui Po station that the Sergeant examined the cycle with a torch lamp that the damaged wheel was discovered.

Asked how he thought the accident had occurred witness replied: I must have made an error of judgment.

The enquiry was adjourned till Thursday next.

TO-NIGHT'S CONCERT.

WILLIAM HEUGHAN'S FAREWELL.

Mr. William Heughan, the world-renowned singer and actor, will bid farewell to Hongkong audiences to-night at the Theatre Royal. He leaves for Shanghai on Tuesday en route to America, so that this will be positively the last opportunity music lovers will have of hearing this great artiste and his brilliant associates. He is without a doubt the greatest interpreter of the folk songs of Britain we have heard and added to that he is an operatic artist of the first rank. He gives an amazing variety of songs and is equally good in them all. With associates like Hyman Lenzer, the wonderful young Australian violinist, and Gladys Sayer, the well-known English pianiste, music lovers are assured of a treat which will ever live in their memory.

The concert will commence at 9.15 p.m. punctually, and patrons are requested to be in their seats by that time.

YEAR IN NORTH.

CHANG TSO-LIN ON THE MOVE.

THREAT TO PEKING.

(Reuters' Service.)

PEKING, Nov. 13.

A report from Mukden states that transportation of troops and munitions to Tientsin is proceeding busily. Chang Hsueh-liang and other leading Mukdenites arrived at Tientsin last night.

JAPANESE NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

TOKYO, Nov. 13.

The destroyers "Sumire" and "Hishii" left Sasebo this morning for Tsingtao to reinforce the destroyer flotilla which has been ordered to protect Japanese life and property in the Shantung district.

The destroyers "Warabi" and "Ashi" have been ordered to wait in readiness to proceed to Tsingtao at any time.

Viscount Inouye, parliamentary vice-Secretary of the Navy is leaving for China this evening to watch developments.

EAST YORKS ARRIVE.

TIENTSIN, Nov. 13.

A battalion of the East Yorks arrived this morning to relieve the Royal North Lancashires who are leaving for India shortly. It is understood that there is a possibility of the latter's departure being postponed for a few weeks owing to the situation in North China.

WU PEI-FU A REBEL.

PEKING, Nov. 13.

The Government, after lengthy Cabinet meetings yesterday and to-day, have decided to issue a mandate this evening denouncing Wu Pei-fu as a rebel and saying that he went to Hankow in a secret manner with a view to making an uprising and he wishes to create disturbances throughout the interior of China.

The mandate orders Feng Yu-hsiang and Yueh Wei-chun to check this trouble and suppress the cause of the disturbance. The mandate goes on to say that Sun Chuan-fang referred in a circular telegram to the stationing of troops in Woosung and Shanghai as the cause of the trouble but he is now advancing in other localities and violating the Chief Executive's peace principles. He is ordered to instruct his forces to cease military operations pending a settlement by the Government.

Chang Tso-lin and Li Ching-ling are made responsible for the defence of the Tsingpu railway. Troops in the metropolitan area are instructed to return to their original positions before the trouble started.

PEKING THREATENED.

PEKING, Nov. 13.

Feng Yu-hsiang's troops have evacuated the Nanyuan barracks and also evacuated certain barracks within Peking. Numbers of his forces have entrained for Nankao. The Mukden troops are reported to be approaching Peking from three directions.

WIRED OUT.

ITALY'S WAR DEBT LUCK.

(Reuters' Service.)

LONDON, November 13.

According to a message to Rome from Washington, Italy will not be required to pay the \$2,407,000,000, mentioned earlier, but a total of \$435,000,000.

Hence the settlement virtually wipes out Italy's war debt to America, leaving only the debt incurred since the armistice, together with accrued interest.

SPANISH TROUBLE.

(Reuters' Service.)

LONDON, November 13.

The Spanish Embassy in London has issued a statement that it has received a telegram from the Spanish Government advising that certain generals and officers of the Spanish army, reserve, who had already incurred disciplinary penalties and whose prestige in the army was very small, had endeavoured unnecessarily to provoke a rising among the troops who denounced the conspiracy to the authorities. Reuter.

PARIS, November 13.

"Le Journal" publishes a dispatch from Madrid stating that two generals and four colonels, four majors and several subalterns together with fourteen non-commissioned officers have been arrested and imprisoned as a result of the discovery of a plot against the Dictator. The conspirators aimed at the proclamation of a new public. The plot was discovered owing to a violent dispute among the conspirators—Reuter.

ROYAL TRADITIONS.

THE SALE OF BAD HOMBURG.

HAMBURG, Sept. 17.

I learn that the controlling interest in the company that owns the springs, the Kurhaus, and certain hotels in Bad Homburg has been acquired by the city of Frankfort, writes an "Observer" correspondent. In future the famous spa will be used by Frankfort's invalids, and those who are in the city's employ, or have a sickness insurance policy of which the provisions are carried out by the Frankfort authorities.

For some years past the association between Hornburg and Frankfort has been strengthened by a service of trams, which travel from town to town in about three-quarters of an hour and are more popular than the slow-moving trains.

The season of Hornburg's great prosperity belongs to the years when King Edward VII. was Prince of Wales and was still on friendly terms with the ex-Kaiser.

Hornburg was a favourite resort of the Prince and his friends, and so large was the company of royalties gathered there that the ordinary station would not suffice and a special one was built for the elect, a station with a special siding, and doors opening on to a garden, through which the royal parties drove on their way to the royal Schloss or a favoured hotel. In the Kurhaus reception rooms, which are extraordinarily ornate, they still show the menu cards from dinner parties given by the Prince of Wales or the old Duke of Cambridge, and the head waiter of Ritter's still points to the corner reserved of old time for the Prince and his friends. To-day the special station is closed, the garden a forlorn remnant of what it was.

So great was Hornburg's development as a social centre, and so profitable, that the springs and the cure were rather neglected. Since the war the town has been forced to fall back upon its healing waters, and has been building up another reputation, but the pace is necessarily slow, competition is keen, and the new company, which had shown great energy and enterprise, and had brightened Hornburg very considerably, has assured its position by allowing the wealthy city of Frankfort to assume control. In all probability Hornburg will come to the front once again, though not perhaps in the same fashion as before.

NO MODERN DANCES WERE INCLUDED

IN THE PROGRAMME, WHICH CONSISTED OF HIGHLAND REELS, STRATHSPEYS, THE CIRCASSIAN CIRCLE, SPANISH GAVOTTES, THE REEL OF TULLOCH, EIGHT-SOMES, AND WALTZES.

The opening dance was a reel

in which the Queen's partner was Pipe-Major Forsyth. Scarcely a dance did the Queen miss during her stay, and several old waltz tunes played by the orchestra were Her Majesty's special selection. These included "Missouri," "Night of Gladness," and "The Merry Widow."

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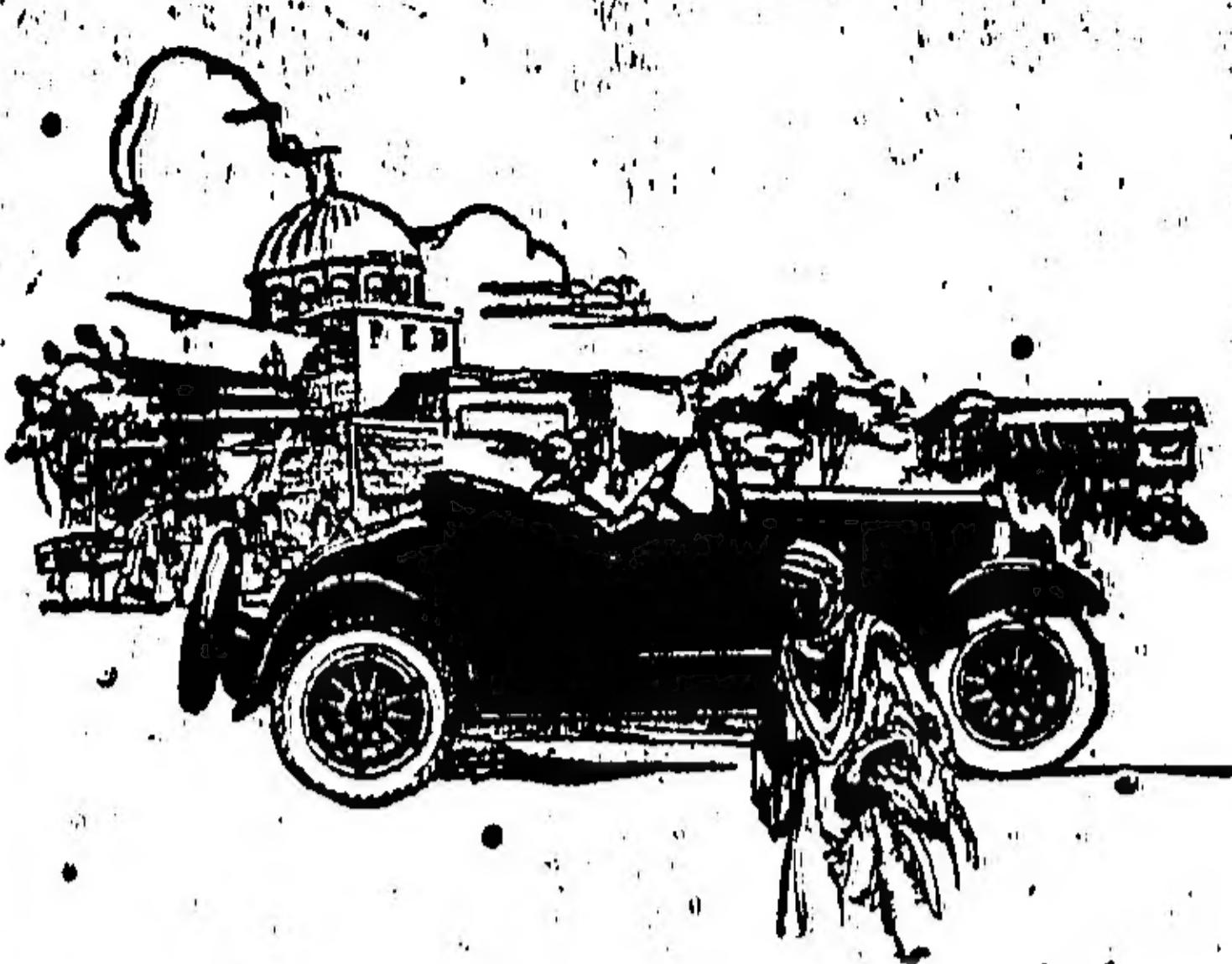
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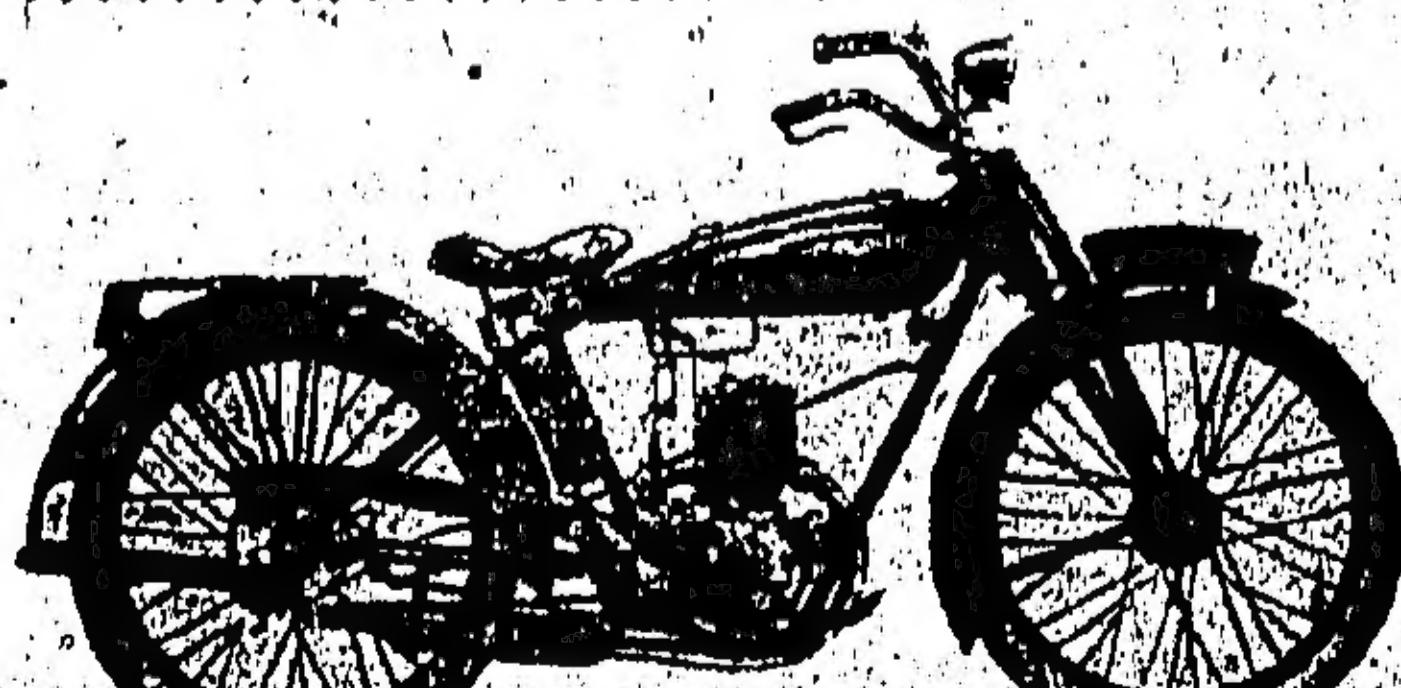
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For the 24 hours ended Thursday, two cases of diphtheria—one Chinese and one Japanese—were reported.

The attraction at the Queen's Theatre commencing to-day is John Barrymore in "Sherlock Holmes." This should prove a very interesting film.

A suggestion that the Imperial War Museum should be moved to Wembley is being discussed. It is also proposed that the various Dominion and Colonial pavilions should be maintained, with exhibits and panoramic views of the life and industries of the countries.

During the war, writes Mary Evelyn in the "Manchester Guardian," I cooked for a girl's boarding-school, and remember the delight with which carrots cut into rice, boiled, strained, seasoned with pepper and salt, tossed in a little margarine, and served sprinkled with finely chopped parsley were welcomed. It was the "homeliness" or surprise of anything those girls loved, and their pleasure and good health were well worth the little extra trouble.

During the present month of November the people of Macao are being called upon to support a very deserving cause. Some weeks ago a disastrous fire destroyed a number of poor hovels erected on the hill side behind the Ruins of St. Paul's Church rendering homeless a very large number of Chinese of the poorest class.

The majority of these people are honest hard-working labourers and have occupied the sites for a good many years just as winter is approaching to be left without shelter is a hardship that is very severe. The local hospital is doing what is possible to relieve the immediate needs of these poor Chinese but it cannot do everything.

The suggestion coming from the Committee of the Macao Club to organise a "drive" to raise funds to assist these poor people is a very laudable one and deserving of the support of all.

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It is generally believed that Jersey will be a "gift" to the Treasury, pay war pensions to her own men. At present these pensions cost the country £42,600 a year.

The cinema has filled a real gap in our social organisation. It is cheap, it penetrates everywhere, its appeal is simple, its matter never profound. It offers an escape from the drabness of life and a narcotic against its sorrows.

Two covered-in motor lorries, one advertising a grocery and provision merchant's business, and the other a well-known brand of whisky, rolled into the courtyard of the Bank of England. They contained neither provisions nor whisky, but £226,640 worth of bar gold. The bullion was the first shipment of gold which has arrived from South Africa since the seamen's strike.

The following appears among the notices in a Continental hotel:

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Damages to public works in 16 provinces of the Philippine Islands, particularly roads, bridges and buildings, by seven typhoons and floods during the year, were estimated at P132,676, while the cost of new work in seven provinces is estimated at P86,165, according to detailed reports on damaged roads and bridges received by the director of public works.

Chaplin and the cinema continue to be discussed. The following is from an article in the "London Outlook"—Comedy offers no respite from the common lot and all that is asked of the great comedian is that he shall remind us in, and through his absurdities that he is a being apart from life as we live. Mr. Chaplin satisfies this test. He is not a great artist because the great artist is human. But in his way he ranks with the angels; whereas Mr. Fairbanks is merely an acrobat.

The Ito En—the Japanese religious society whose members take the vow of poverty like the Franciscans of old but work wherever they are wanted instead of living in monastic seclusion—was to open a branch in Tokyo the other day. Members of the Ito En engaged in relief work at Tokyo after the big quake and later took charge of a home for workers built by the Home Office, but apparently it has not had a definite congregation there hitherto.

With characteristic enterprise, the Madan Theatre, Ltd., have set out to erect in Colombo a picture palace worthy of Ceylon and its capital. The reproach has often been cast on Colombo that despite its progress in other directions, it yet lacked an up-to-date theatre or picture hall. On not a few occasions touring companies of note have declined to perform on account of the want of suitable conditions, the limited seating capacity of the halls, improper staging, bad acoustic properties, etc.

M. Alexandre Imbert, a noted French scientist, is due in Penang shortly, and is proceeding on a scientific mission to British North Borneo, etc.

Mr. Saklatvala's resignation from his position as departmental manager in the London office of Messrs. Tata, Ltd., the well-known Indian firm, followed upon an attack on the firm by the "Morning Post" in the course of a leading article, in which an attempt was made to implicate the heads of the Tata firm with Mr. Saklatvala's personal views. After giving a list of the people connected with the firm, the "Morning Post" asked: "Can these gentlemen evade a certain responsibility for the Empire-smashing speeches and activities of their representatives in London?"

Mr. James Buchanan Duke, the United States "Tobacco King" and multi-millionaire, has died in America at the age of 68. He is said to have made more money out of smoke than any other individual in the world; but perhaps a greater claim to fame is that as originator of the idea of putting pictures in packets of cigarettes he gave pleasure to small boys the whole world over.

Two women were engaged in a match in the first women's tournament at a newly organised club in a small mid-western town in America. They fought a nip and tuck battle all the way and came to the last hole all even. After much diligent labour, they finally holed out in ten strokes each. "Well, I win," exclaimed Mrs. G. "I don't see why," replied Mrs. G. "I got 'em the same as you did." "Yes, but I got mine first," was the all-convincing answer.

A Chinese in Shanghai has been found to be the grandpa of all grandpas, in fewer than six generations, all alive, being found in his family although he is only ninety-six years old. The Chinese newspapers devoted much attention to the case. The man has two sons aged seventy-six and seventy respectively. There is a grandson aged fifty-six and he in turn has two sons ages thirty-six and thirty-four and a daughter aged twenty-eight. The eldest son has three sons, one of whom is a grandfather, and the second son has a son and a daughter.

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"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE**CRICKET NOTES.**

LEAGUE AVERAGES THIS SEASON.

BATTING BEATS BOWLING.

[By W.P.C.]

So far in the cricket league this season batting has generally prevailed over bowling. This factor is revealed in the (league) statistics given below. It may be due to the state of the wickets brought about by the long dry season. A little rain now and again—but not on playing days—should have a good effect. As it is teams which run up high scores may be faced with a prospect of their opponents realising that victory is remote, playing for a draw.

Midshipman R. H. Stephenson of H.M.S. "Hawkins," who scored 162 against Kowloon last Saturday, is stated to have been unable to find his form for some time. This certainly should inspire confidence. He comes of good cricketing stock. His brother, J. S. Stephenson was given his Blue at Oxford this year and is also a Blue at soccer and golf. J. S. is an all-rounder but his strength is batting rather than bowling; he was a Shrewsbury boy, being there together with H. Owen Hughes who has represented Hongkong in interport matches against Shanghai and Malaya.

Last week it was stated that one league match was finished in darkness and after time had expired. Presiding at a previous meeting of the Cricket League Sir Claud Sevenoak said that it would be advisable to have available on Saturdays, somebody invested with league authority. One reason was that few knew, without reference to the booklet what was the correct time for drawing stumps. His suggestion did not take shape as no one volunteered to become a walking book of rules during the season.

Apart from the irregularity it may be timely to point out that although the side at a disadvantage may be sporting enough to play to a finish, they are performing a disservice to other teams if they lose and benefitting if they win but contrary to the rules. Hitherto there has been gossip about fixtures being completed when it rained heavily. Here again is the same case of a side allowing opponents an opportunity to take points when a replay or a draw may have been served.

Elsewhere in this page are given the fixtures for to-day. At this rate of progress the league should be completed without difficulty. It is to be hoped that there will not be a wholesale abandonment of matches when the honours have been apportioned, as in other seasons.

Should these notes catch the eye of secretaries and/or skippers of teams which play in mid-week—and I beg to refer specially to Service clubs—I shall be much obliged if the score book is sent in the day after the match.

I make no apology for starting the averages and records so early in the season. It is accepted that statistics are not a true reflection of the results—I have written before at considerable length on this phase—but figures do provide a certain amount of interest. The working of them will have to be done sooner or later and an early start obviates catching up later on. Only league matches are taken into account.

BATTING AVERAGES.

Division I.

	Av. of Innings	Highest Score	Avg. of Agg.
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M. F. Stewart (H.K.)	2	70 150	75.00
A. H. Madax (I.)	3	68 141	47.00
W. J. C. Hartshorne	2	92	46.00
A. H. Smith (R.A.)	2	75 72	38.00
A. W. Howard (R.A.)	2	25 72	38.00
S. G. Purvis (R.A.)	3	21* 32	38.00
C. G. D. Studd (R.A.)	2	55 42	37.00
C. G. D. Studd (G.C.C.)	2	35	27.00
T. G. Clark (C.C.)	2	80 55	27.50
C. G. D. Studd (G.C.C.)	2	34 37	27.00
A. F. Buckley (G.C.C.)	2	51	25.50
Rev. E. K. Quick (U.)	2	43* 50	25.00
S. G. Shahabudin (U.)	2	24* 24	24.00
A. A. Rumjahn (U.)	2	32 44	22.00
U. M. Omar (I.)	2	37 64	21.50
S. M. Ismail (I.)	2	52	20.00
T. G. Clark (G.C.C.)	2	21 40	20.00

Division II.

	Wickets	Average
Rev. E. K. Quick (U.)	9	5.00
S. G. Shahabudin (U.)	10	5.50
A. C. L. Bowker (H.K.)	9	7.34
Sgt. Gifford (A.V.)	7	12.20
L. L. Henshaw (A.V.)	3	13.33
Capt. Morris (K.)	1	14.00

Division III.

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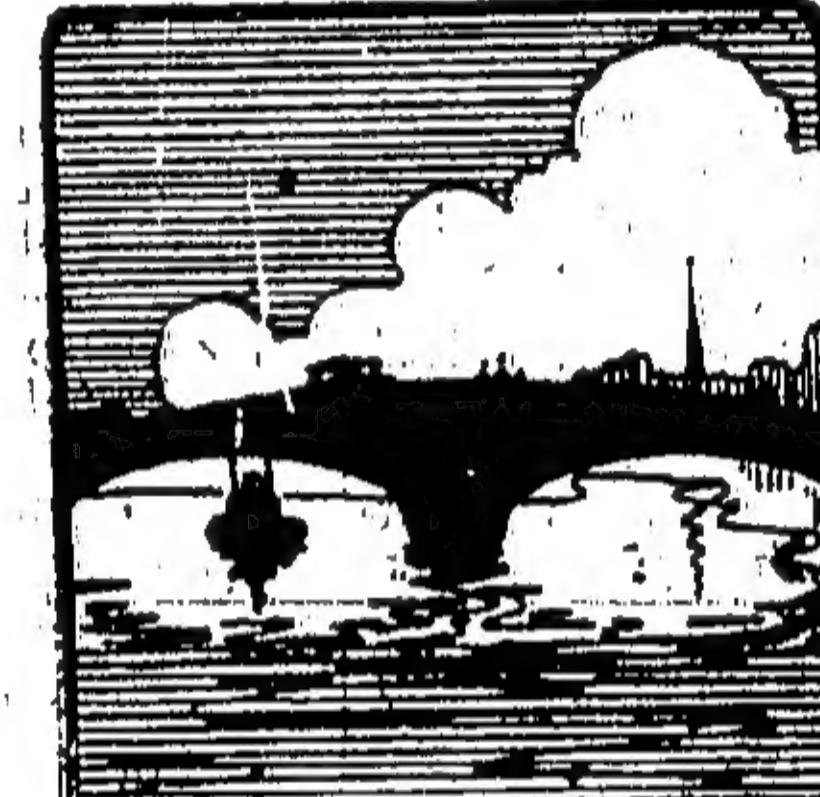
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Wedding, November 5, at St. John's Cathedral, of Mr. Norman H. Bennett, of Hongkong, and Miss Kathleen Stanley Gifford of Cambridgeshire, England. Left to right (front row), Mr. D. Morgan Richards (best man), the Rev. Noel Evans (on extreme left of back row, who officiated); and (front row) Mrs. D. Morgan Richards (who attended the bride), the bridegroom, the bride, and Mr. Thomas R. Rowell (who gave away the bride).

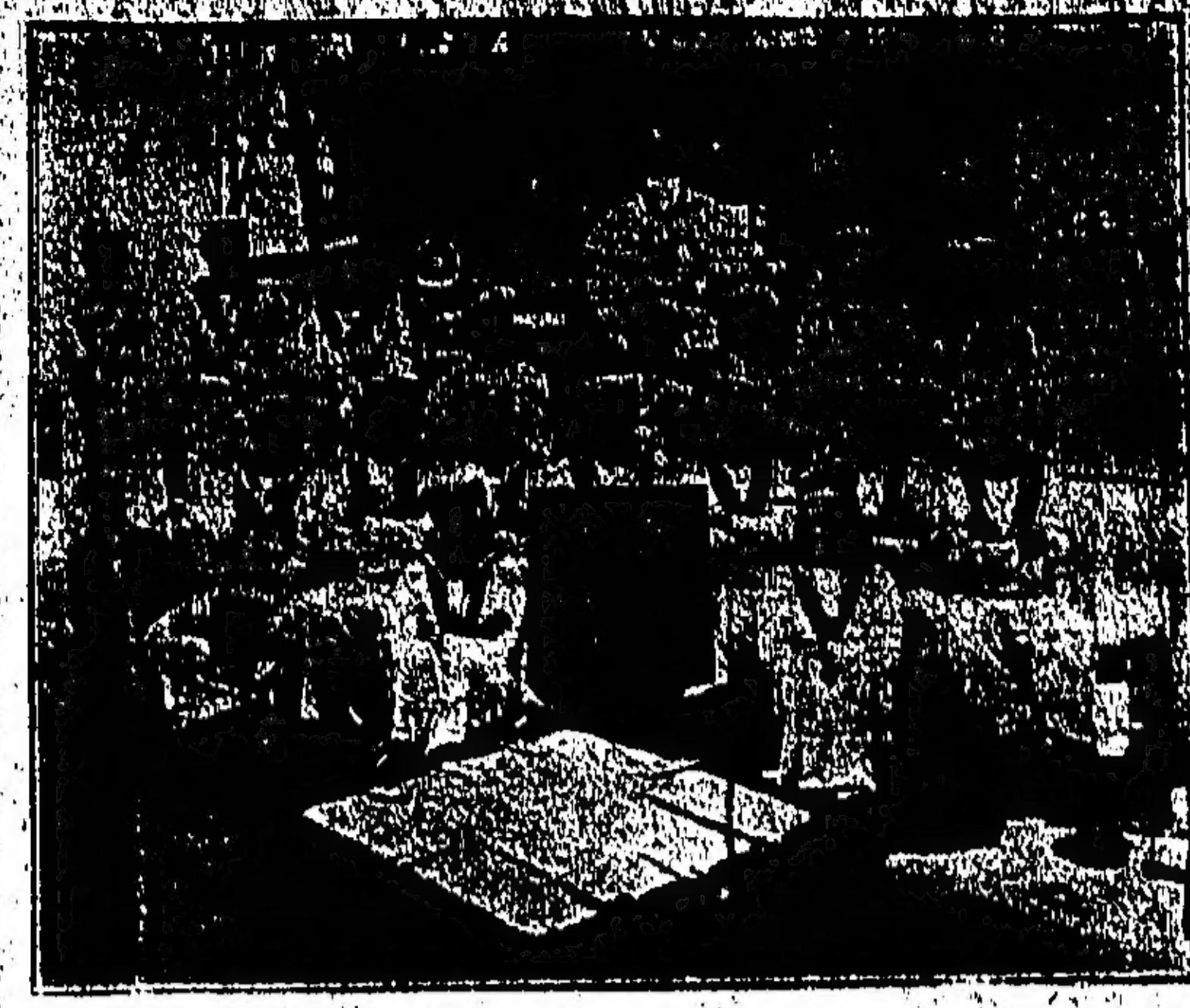


Photo by Ying Ming.
Crew of No. 2 gun, H.M.S. "Hawkins" (flagship of the China Fleet), winners of the loader competition and efficiency shield (gunnery) for 1925, competed for by all the gun crews of that cruiser. In the background is the gun.



Photo by courtesy of Lee Fong.
Photographs taken by M. Aljian, ship's photographer, U.S.S. "Sacramento," on board the warship when the Rev. Fr. Thomas A. O'Melia (Philadelphia) and the Rev. Fr. Otto A. Rauschenbach (St. Louis, Mo.), made the last stage of their dramatic escape from Chinese bandits near St. John's Island mission. On the left are (left to right) Rev. F. C. Dietz of Hol-Nyan, sent to assist the rescue; Commander Saddler of the "Sacramento" (back to camera); and the two rescued priests. In the foreground of the other photo (also left to right) Fr. Dietz; Fr. O'Melia; Rev. John Lake of the Protestant leper mission at Tai Kam, Canton River, who acted as "guide" to the rescue party; Commander Saddler; Mr. Stephens of the Canton American Consulate and Fr. Rauschenbach.



Photo by courtesy of Lee Fong.
At Tai Kam Island, ninety miles south of Canton, is a leper mission for the Chinese where the Rev. John Lake (a Protestant missionary) and his wife have rendered service for years. Bandits have also come under the spell of Mr. and Mrs. Lake's large breakwater and other works having been constructed without any outside assistance. Mr. Lake is in the centre of the group. On the right is the commander of the U.S.S. "Sacramento," next to whom is a leper. The other Chinese in the photo (taken by M. Aljian, ship's photographer of the "Sacramento") are said to be former bandits.



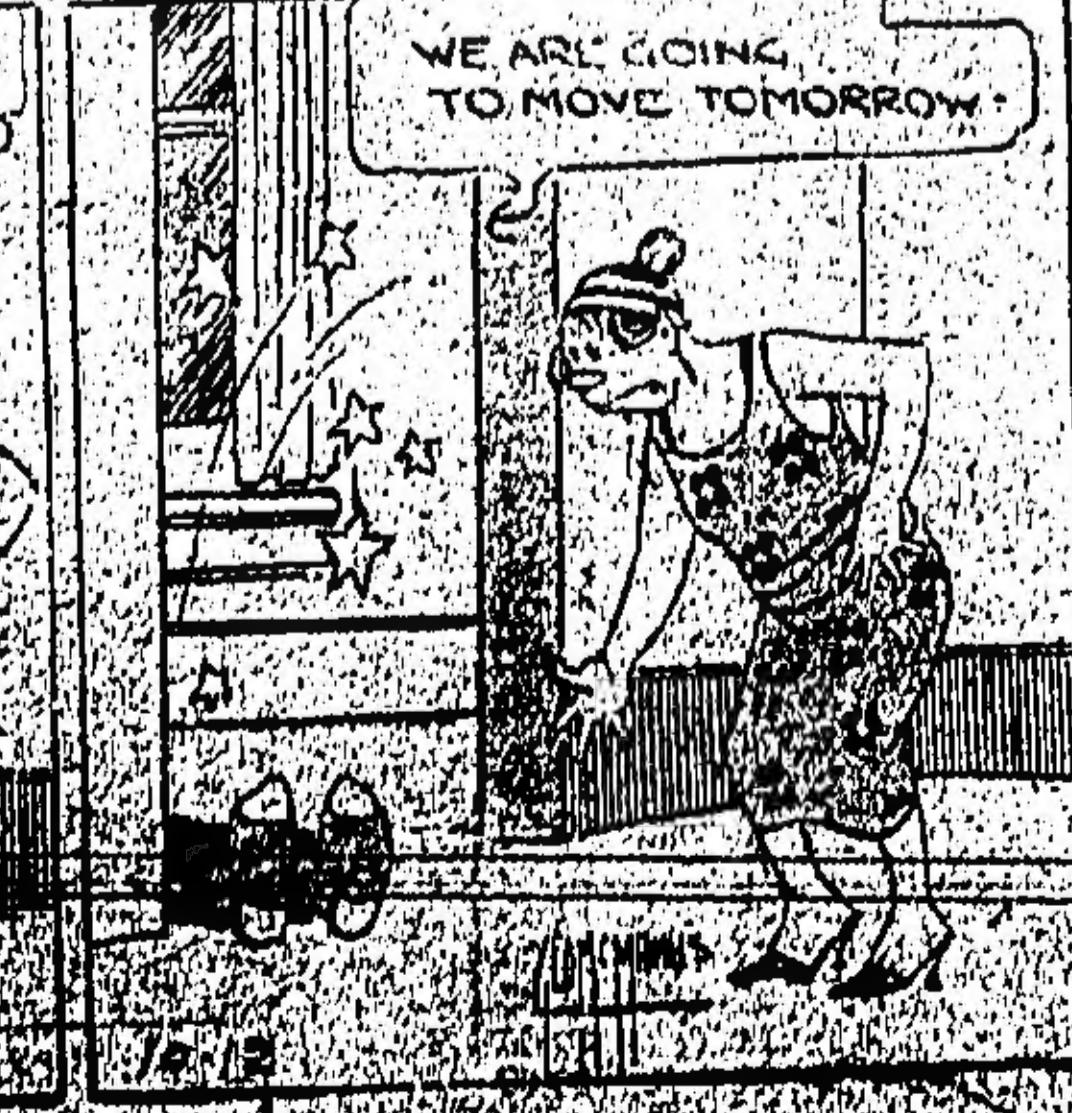
Photo by Lee Fong.
Last Saturday the Italian Convent (Caine Road) held a bazaar. Snapshot on left shows Mrs. P. H. Holyoak who opened the bazaar, Miss Holyoak, the Very Rev. G. M. Spada (Vicar Apostolic of Hongkong) and Sister Teresa Martinola. Picture on left shows a number of lady patrons of a stall.



Photo by Lee Fong.
Hongkong Armistice Day scenes.—Left: Upper: Sir Claud Seymour, Mrs. Clementi, Miss Clementi, H.E. the Governor, the Bishop of Victoria, and clergy at the Cathedral memorial service; (lower) the public placing wreaths on the Cenotaph; (right) officers from the Royal Navy (above) and the Army (below) drawn up in Statue Square for the Cenotaph observance.



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